

ELROY'S NEW USED CAR

Wearing baggy sweatclothes
and pushing a grocerybasket
he caught up with us in the
Safeway parking lot
proud as a peacock with his
trade-in for an '81 Dodge

Look at this, ladies
you know black is in again
used to be just for hearses
and them old boys down
at Acme Motors
give me a deal that I can live
with

WATCHING A CORTEGE PASS

Otto removed his hat
and recalled
I drove for Whaley's Chapel
twenty years you know
 hearses were black
 in those days nothing else
 now they're white
 or silver grey
 with fancy chrome trim
Make a corpse think
he was going for a joyride
maybe want to get up
and drive himself